

COTTON PRESS
1/4 mile west of intersection
of Routes 917 & 38
Latta vicinity
Dillon County
South Carolina

HAER No. SC-11

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STATE	COUNTY	TOWN OR VICINITY
South Carolina	Dillon	Latta Vic.
HISTORIC NAME		HAER NO.
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SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES		
Cotton Press		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL AREAS)		
1/4 mile west of intersection of Routes 917 and 38, near Latta		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION	ENGINEER, BUILDER, OR FABRICATOR	
1798		
SIGNIFICANCE (TECHNOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE)		
Significant in the field of rural industry as the only known remaining cotton press of this era in South Carolina; the primary machine which pressed and baled ginned cotton		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS)		
Pegged and doveled oak		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE)		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE		
Wooden screw which powered cotton press; small square hipped-roof covering machinery.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE MECHANICAL SYSTEMS, MACHINERY OR EQUIPMENT)		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES		
Moved in 1950 from Berry's Crossroads to present location		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE		
Good; not in use		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SOCIETY LANDMARK DESIGNATIONS, ETC.)		
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